



“Meet the Teacher” Night
September 2016

WELCOME
TO

TIMBERBANK JR.
PUBLIC SCHOOL

OUR INCREDIBLE STAFF!

Mrs. Jeung & Mrs. Montgomery – Full-day Kindergarten

Mrs. Kerr and Mrs. Shaikh – Early Childhood Educators

Mrs. Stathis – Grade 1

Miss Fotopoulos – Grade 1/2

Mr. Mirshahi – Media Literacy (am); Grade 2/3 (pm)

Mr. Rands – Grade 2/3 (am); Resource Teacher (pm)

Ms Boulos – Grade 2/3

Ms Persaud – Grade 4 & French

Mrs. Corrieri – Grade 5

Mr. O'Connor – Grade 6

Ms Chan – ESL (am) and Drama/Dance (pm)

Ms Oommen – Home School Teacher (am) / Teacher Librarian (pm)

Ms Cheng – Music (pm)

Mrs. Viapiana, & Ms Cavazzon – Support Staff

**Mrs. Samoojh, Mrs. Small, Mrs. Ramanathan, and Ms Gibson-Sealy –
Lunchroom Supervisors**

Mrs. Garcia – Office Administrator

Mrs. Whitton – Head Caretaker

Mrs. O'Hara – Evening Caretaker

AT TIMBERBANK, WE BELIEVE...

⦿ “On T.R.A.C.K.” – Character Building

T – Teamwork & Trust

R – Respect & Responsibility

A – Achievement & Attitude

C – Cooperation & Commitment & Courtesy

K – Kindness & Keeping Safe

⦿ Excellence in Music, Dance and Information Technology

⦿ “Schools on the Move” – FIT for LIFE; PALS programme

⦿ Athletic Teams – Cross Country; Volleyball; Track and Field; Soccer

⦿ EcoSchools Certification – Gold in June 2016

⦿ Girls Club & Boys Club

⦿ Growing Success – In Ontario Schools – Assessing, Evaluating, Reporting

REPORTING TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

- i. Progress Report (November) – Grades 1 to 6**
- ii. Provincial Report (February and June) – Gr. 1 to 6**
- iii. Senior Kindergarten – November**
- iv. ALL Kindergarten – February (new template)**
- v. ALL Kindergarten – June (new template)**

PROGRESS REPORT

- ◎ **Sent home Tuesday, November 15th**
- ◎ **Opportunity for Evening Interviews – Thursday, November 17th and PA Day for interviews – Friday, November 18th**
- ◎ **No Letter Grades: Progressing – ‘Very well’, ‘Well’, or ‘With difficulty’**
- ◎ **Space for comments regarding strengths and next steps for improvement**
- ◎ **6 Learning skills and work habits**
 - Responsibility - Organization
 - Independent work - Collaboration
 - Initiative - Self-regulation

ASSESSMENT

Grades 1 to 6 marks are letter grades

Level 4 = A represents achievement that **exceeds** the provincial standard

Level 3 = B represents achievement that **meets** the provincial standard

Level 2 = C represents achievement that **approaches** the provincial standard

Level 1 = D represents achievement that **falls below** the provincial standard

“R” represents achievement that falls well below level 1 and extensive remediation is required

“I” represents insufficient evidence to determine a student’s achievement

STUDENT AND PARENT COMMENTS – PAGE 3 AND 4 BOTTOM TEAR OFF AREA

For the Provincial Report there is a space for optional student comments related to: ‘My best work...’, My goal for improvement is...’

Optional Parent Comments related to: ‘My child has improved most in...’ and ‘I will help my child to...’

Tear off area must be signed and returned to school indicating that the Report has been read

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION & ESL NEEDS

- ◎ IEP (Individual Education Plan) may be accommodated – follows the student's grade expectations OR IEP may be modified
- ◎ I.E.P. and E.S.L. boxes will continue to be checked if 'modified' expectations for the regular program for that grade exist for a student in a particular strand or subject. There will also be the statement "This (letter grade/percentage mark) is based on achievement of expectations in the IEP or ESL program that vary from the grade _ expectations (and/or) are an (increase/decrease) in the (number and/or complexity) of curriculum expectations."
- ◎ For further information about special education and E.S.L. expectations, please feel free to contact the classroom teacher or Mrs. Epitropou for clarification.

EQAO RESULTS 2015/2016

Percentage of ALL students AT or ABOVE the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)

Grade 3 (26 students)

Reading: **School – 77%**; Board – 74%; Province – 72%

Writing: **School – 88%**; Board – 77%; Province – 74%

Math: **School – 73%**; Board – 67%; Province – 63%

Grade 6 (29 students)

Reading: **School – 79%**; Board – 80%; Province – 81%

Writing: **School – 97%**; Board – 81%; Province – 80%

Math: **School – 59%**; Board 55%; Province – 50%

(Math Renewal Strategy from the Ministry)

Congratulations to everyone!

More detailed results can be found on our wiki at
<https://timberbank.wikispaces.com/> or at www.eqao.com

INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES

- Offered throughout the TDSB
- Timberbank Jr. PS offers Mandarin and Tamil every Wednesday from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm
- There are registration forms in the office for those who are interested
- Mrs. Jane Choo is our Site Supervisor
- \$20 materials fee

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Agincourt Community Services offering FREE after school program till 5:30pm

Monday to Friday (no PA Days or special events at school)

Continue to Waitlist students

Our site supervisor is Maria at the moment

NEWCOMER KIDS PROGRAM

Fridays at lunch and after school from September 23rd to November 11th

Free program supporting new students and connecting them with mentors and student leaders

Homework support and learning to play table tennis with a pro

Site supervisor is Colin Rome

BREAKFAST PROGRAM ***(STUDENT NUTRITION PROGRAM)***

Every Morning from 8:00 am to 8:30 am

Breakfast meal includes at least 3 food groups: vegetables/fruit; grain products; and milk products

Students to enter through the front door – breakfast served in our kindergarten lunch area

Received a Grant through Toronto Foundation for Student Success along with donations made to the school

Students are dismissed at 8:30 am and supervised by staff outside

Breakfast Coordinator – Lubna Khan

PARENT ENGAGEMENT

- ⦿ We value YOUR dedication to your children!
 - ⦿ How can you get involved?
1. Continue to work with your child daily; check the agenda daily for grades 1 to 6
 2. Volunteering for field trips, in the classroom, in our library etc...
 3. Helping our Fundraising Efforts
 4. Attending School Council Meetings

Present School Council Chairs: Lisa Ferguson & Mike Petkovski

1st meeting – October 3rd @ 6:30 pm in the Library (nominations still being accepted)

PARENT OUTREACH GRANT

- Received \$1000 as a POR Grant
- School Council to organize 2 events in the Fall and the Winter
- Last year's events:
 - 1.Social Media and your child
 - 2.Healthy and Active Living – Family Fun Night
- More details to follow on this year's events

Fundraising Efforts @ Timberbank

Movie Nights (to be announced)

Winter Concert – December 22, 2016

“Move-A-Thon” – Friday, February 24, 2017

Spring Concert – May 11, 2017

Spring Fair – June 2017

Just to name a few...

Some Safety Reminders

- 1. If a student is going to be absent, please call our Safe Arrival line and leave a message 416-396-6860, press #1 to leave a message**
- 2. Please check in at the office whenever entering our school**
- 3. All our doors are locked and there is a camera and buzzer at our main entrance since last year**
- 4. Please obey the rules of the road for the SAFETY of all of our students e.g. NO U-turns in the area of the crosswalk; do not stop within the marked areas; arrive on time; and be patient**
- 5. We encourage a “nut-safe” environment (no peanuts or tree nuts please)**

Copies of the curriculum documents are available on the following website:

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca>

This power point will also be available on the school website: <https://timberbank.wikispaces.com/>

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